

Illinois Department of Transportation

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PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT
Studies and Plans
FAP Route 301 (US 20)
Section 43-1, -2, -3, -4, -5, & 177-1, -2
IL 84 (N) to Bolton Road (Freeport)
Jo Daviess & Stephenson Counties

August 20, 1993

Mr. Ken Litchfield, Manager Transportation Review Program Illinois Department of Conservation Lincoln Tower Plaza 524 South Second Street Springfield, IL 62701-1787

Dear Mr. Litchfield:

As an agency involved in the potential review of highway Environmental Impact Statements, this letter is to inform you that, under the procedures of the National Environmental Policy Act, the Federal Highway Administration and the Illinois Department of Transportation will be holding a Scoping Meeting for the above project. This project is described in the attached Notice of Intent.

The meeting will be held in the District 2 office of the Illinois Department of Transportation, 819 Depot Avenue, Dixon, Illinois at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 23, 1993. On hand will be representatives of the Illinois Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and the consultanting firm who will be preparing the Environmental Impact Statement. An overview of the project will be given, along with the project study corridor and potential alternatives. The purpose of the meeting is to seek input at an early stage from all interested public agencies as to their questions on the project and their major concerns regarding potential project impacts.

If enough interest is shown, a van trip will be undertaken by the Department of Transportation to allow agency representatives to view portions of the general corridor. This trip would leave the District 2 office at 8:00 a.m. on September 22, 1993, and will take until approximately 5:00 p.m. that evening. Participants would have to make their own arrangements for the necessary

Mr. Kenneth Litchfield August 20, 1993 Page Two

overnight lodging. Please let us know in writing by September 16 if you wish to participate in a van trip and how many representatives you will have on the trip. Advance notification of your expected attendance at the Scoping Meeting will not be necessary.

If you have any questions, please call Larry Hill, IDOT District 2 Environment Engineer, at 815/284-5450 (FAX 815/284-5489).

Sincerely,

William D. Ost District Engineer

By: Larry E. Reed Engineer of Program Development

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Ms. Ellen C. Craig, Chairwoman Illinois Commerce Commission P.O. Box 19280 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9280

Mr. William L. Blake, Director Division of Aeronautics Illinois Department of Transportation Capital Airport Springfield, Illinois 62707

Mr. Theodore W. Hild, Deputy Director Illinois Historic Preservation Agency Union Depot 500 East Madison Springfield, IL 62701

Mr. David R. Boyce, P.E. Chief, Floodplain Management Engineer Division of Water Resources Illinois Department of Transportation 2300 South Dirksen Parkway Springfield, IL 62764

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Manager, Permit Section
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Mr. Doug Ehorn, Deputy Chief Wetlands Coordinator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Wetlands Protection Section (5WQW-TUB-8) 230 South Dearborn Street Chicago, IL 60604

Mr. Ronald E. Morse, Director Illinois Department of Mines and Minerals 300 West Jefferson, Suite 300 Springfield, Illinois 62791-0137 Mr. Richard C. Nelson Field Supervisor Fish and Wildlife Service Rock Island Field Office (ESO) 4469 48th Ave. Court Rock Island, IL 61201

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Attention: John Betker

Dear Mr. Blanchar:

Mr. Steven D. Chard, Chief Bureau of Farmland Protection Division of Natural Resources State Fairgrounds P. O. Box 19281 Springfield, IL 62794-9281

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Commanding Officer Savanna Army Depot Savanna, Illinois 61074

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Federal Highway Administration

September 14, 1993

HD-IL

Mr. Stephen Scates State Executive Director USDA-ASCS P. O. Box 19273 Springfield, IL 62794-9273

Dear Mr. Scates:

Subject: Scoping Meeting on U.S. Route 20

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We strongly encourage your participation in these meetings.

Sincerely yours, /s/ James C. Partlow

James C. Partlow Design Operations Engineer

For: Lyle P. Renz Division Administrator



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September 14, 1993

HD-IL

Mr. David N. Given
Association Regional Director
Planning and Resource Preservation
National Park Service
1709 Jackson Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68102-2571

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Mr. Charles Whitmore State Conservationist USDA-SCS 1902 Fox Drice Champaign, IL 61820

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Region 5

3250 Executive Park Drive Springfield, Illinois 62703

September 13, 1993

HD-IL

Mr. William Franz, Chief Planning and Assessment U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3590

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Ms. Kathleen Ames, Bureau of Design & Environment



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September 13, 1993

HD-IL

Mr. James H. Blanchar, Chief Operations Division Department of the Army Rock Island District Corps of Engineers Clock Tower Building P. O. Box 2004 Rock Island, IL 61204

Dear Mr. Hanson:

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For: Lyle P. Renz Division Administrator cc: Mr. Dudley Hanson, Chief
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September 13, 1993

HD-IL

Mr. Richard Nelson, Field Supervisor U.S. Department of Interior Fish & Wildlife Service Rock Island Field Office 4469 48th Avenue Court Rock Island, IL 61201

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